## One Drop of Water

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Luke 16:24, "And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame."

The rich man had everything materialistic in life, for he was filthy rich. He planned to tear down his buildings and build bigger ones to store all his wealth for old age. The rich man's possessions were his life. Lazarus was very poor and ate out of the rich man's garbage. The rich man was selfish and didn't think about others, just himself.

One night the rich man died in his sleep and woke up in the fires and torments of Hell. He begged Abraham for just a drop of water. The rich man begged for Abraham to just dip his finger in water and give to him just a drop; but it was too late, judgment had come upon him.

Your day is coming too whoever you may be! God will not be mocked (Galatians 6:7). It is true that God loves mankind and sent His beloved Son to pay for all our sins; but be not deceived, God will put you into Hell



and take out His vengeance upon you forever if you die in your sins without Jesus as your Savior (2nd Thessalonians 1:8-9). God does not play games. The Scriptures cannot be broken (John 10:35). What is written will stand on Judgment Day!

Notice that the rich man in Hell didn't ask for a cold beer. There will be no beer in Hell nor Heaven, I assure you of that! Neither did the rich man in Hell ask for an ice cold Coca-Cola, because there won't be any. The rich man in Hell, who lived selfishly and forgot about God and the poor, asked for a drop of water. He was denied any water as part of his punishment! Do you understand that friend? If you go to Hell, part of your punishment will be the lack of water to quench your thirst. I don't know about you, but I'd want to avoid Hell just for that reason alone. Can you imagine not having any water?

Carefully consider that the rich man had a body in Hell. Jesus taught that God the Father will destroy the soul AND BODY in Hell of all Christ-rejecters. . .

Matthew 10:28, "And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul <u>AND BODY</u> in hell."

Clearly, God will provide some type of body that will not be consumed in the flames, yet will be able to sense and suffer pain and torment in the Lake of Fire. Revelation 20:15 says that anyone whose name is not found written in the Lamb's Book of Life will be CAST into the Lake of Fire (Gehenna). Clearly, this tells us that God will provide some type of body that can be "cast" into Hell and withstand tens-of-thousands of degrees of heat.

The rich man in Hell was thirsty. When we get thirsty, we go get a tall glass of ice cold water, with ice cubes, and we quench our thirst. That is a gift from God. There will be no water in Hell. You will thirst for all eternity. When I awoke from my second neck surgery in April of 2010, I was extremely dehydrated and thirsty, but the nurse wouldn't allow me to drink any water until my anesthesia wore off, to prevent vomiting. I had never been so thirsty in my life. As I laid there in the recovery room, I thought about Jesus on the cross, Who said "I thirst." My tongue felt like dried leather. My throat felt like a sandy desert. I was so thirsty.

Eventually I was allowed to sip the water from a very small sponge. It wasn't much water at all, just a few drops, but it was so refreshing. My body was dehydrated from the surgery. I had a hard neck brace on my neck. The toothache-like pain in my neck was unbearable in the hours after my surgery. I was very lonely by myself. I suffered so much, but I knew Jesus was with me (Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5). Now, when I drink a tall glass of ice cold water, I appreciate it much more. I know what it's like to be very thirsty and be denied any water. I drink even more water now because I can. I love cold, fresh, non-fluoridated, non-chlorinated, pure water.

Water is a gift from God that most people take for granted. When I drink refreshing cold water, I think oftentimes about the rich man in Hell begging for water, and I hurt for him. I realize that no one goes to Hell except those who choose to go their; but I still hurt for anyone to die in their sins. 2nd Peter 3:9 tells us that God doesn't want anyone to perish in their sins. Ezekiel tells us that God has no pleasure in the death of the wicked.

Ezekiel 33:11, "Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

It is sad that the rich man went to Hell, and that is where most rich people go (Matthew 19:24). Wealth is the biggest curse you'll ever have in life. So many Hollywood celebrities and elite wealthy people think they have heaven on earth; but this earth is the only heaven they will ever know. Hell will be their eternal abode. I can't help but wonder every time I hear about a celebrity's death, where did they go: Heaven or Hell? In many cases it is clear where they went, because they openly rejected Jesus Christ.

It saddens me that anyone would deliberately <u>blaspheme the Holy Spirit</u> and sing that they're on a <u>Highway to Hell</u>. They're bragging about an eternal death wish. No wonder God says that our hearts are desperately wicked and deceitful above all else (Jeremiah 17:9). People are crazy! Wickedness makes people crazy. The demon afflicted man in Mark 5:1-8 cut himself with stones, ran around naked, couldn't be tamed, partied day

and night, and indulged in substance abuse that caused him to break even the chains by which he was bound. We see this wickedness often today.

Hell is a literal place where all Christ-rejecting sinners will be punished for eternity. Many people are already in Hell. The Bible tells us that Hell hath *ENLARGED HERSELF*.

Isaiah 5:14, "Therefore hell hath ENLARGED HERSELF, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it."

Hell has been enlarging for thousands of years with the souls of wicked men and women who rejected the truth and took everything lightly in life. Everything is a big joke to so many people today. I have had many people laugh in my face because of my ministry, thinking it's a form of entertainment, mocking what I have to say, rejecting the truth of God's Word. Most people have their OWN book that they live by nowadays, and it's NOT the Word of God. So many people are stubborn, doing things their own way (Proverb 14:12), disobeying God (Jeremiah 3:25), going about to establish their own self-righteousness (Romans 10:3-4). They are on their way to Hell fire and damnation!!!

Jeremiah 3:25, "We lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us: for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have NOT OBEYED the voice of the LORD our God."

America has not obeyed the VOICE of the Lord God. We have rejected the Bible and gone after the way of wickedness and apostasy! Why should God bless a wicked nation like the United States? We are cursed!

Just one drop! The wealthy man who went to Hell begged for just one drop of water, but was denied. Oh, listen my friend, if you die in your sins you will also go to Hell, and be tormented day and night, and the smoke of your torment will ascend up forever, and you will thirst like you never could have imagined, and there will be NO WATER IN HELL!!!

The wonderful thing is that you can so easily go to Heaven. Getting saved is so easy that even a caveman can do it! Getting saved is very simple. If you acknowledge before God that you are a guilty sinner deserving of Hell; and you trust upon Jesus, the Christ, the Son of God, to forgive your sins, then you will be saved! It's that simple. Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." The word "call" here means to trust, or "to appeal unto." If you come to Jesus, believing on Him to save you, then you will be saved. Acts 10:43, "To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins." Amen!

## We Get What We Deserve as Americans!

